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RESIDENTS living in and around Woodgrange Estate, in Southend, can now use the services of a mobile library.

The library, which aims to encourage parents to share books with the under fives, will call every three weeks on Wednesdays between 10.45-11.15am at the Centre Place Family Centre in Prospect Close.

Estuary Housing Association staff, who work in the centre's nursery, are involved in a language development scheme for children called Every Child a Talker (ECaT).

By sharing books and rhymes, parents can help their children develop good language and listening skills and picture books can be introduced at very early age to encourage a lifelong love of literature.

Children and Bookstart manager, Anne Bonham, said: "A 'Bookstart' is the best start any child can have and any parent can give it. "A few minutes a day sharing a

book helps children develop their language, concentration and skills that will make learning easy.

"Children who have been introduced to books do better when they get to school - it works because it's fun."

THE WONDER OF WORDS: Families queue to use the new mobile library on the Woodgrange Estate.

Picture by Mark Cleveland

Wednesday, January 20, 2010

TURNING Tides wardens were celebrating last week after gaining £160,000 of funding.

Government had footed the bill for the project, based in Nelson Street, Southend, for four years but this funding was due to be with-

drawn in March 2010.

However, a lifeline has been offered by a local strategic partnership comprising Southend Council, the police and health services and

was announced at a cabinet meeting last week.

Southend Association Voluntary Services runs the scheme, and the money will pay for the warden supervisor and four wardens, who then oversee 54

junior wardens.
Turning Tides neighbourhood manager, Tony Payne, said: "Turning Tides has made a big difference to the town centre wards,

and we were really concerned that the momentum and activity would come to an end.

"It's a great relief to hear that the council's commitment to continue funding has been agreed and we look forward to continuing the service during the coming year."

Kevin Bonavia, Labour's parlia-

mentary candidate for Rochford and Southend East welcomed the

He said: "Turning Tides has been a fine example of what local people can do with government support to make their neighbourhood life bet-

"Its work is being watched and copied across the country, so it's a

project we should all be proud of."
For more information, call 01702
350483 or visit www.savs
southend.org/turningtides

■ Turn to page 4 for more.

Travel shop burgled

POLICE are appealing for information after a commercial burglary in Westcliff. Thieves entered Ali Travel, in London Road, overnight between 5.30pm on

January 3 and 9am on January 4. Some computer equipment and phonecards were stolen along with a four-figure sum of cash - if you have any information, call PC Mitchell at Southend Police Station on 0300 3334444

Airport control

GOVERNMENT has prevented Southend Council from granting planning permission to extend the runway at Southend Airport without authorisation.

The Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government has issued an Article 14 Direction, which means that he must authorise any decisions. The application will still be considered by the Development Control Committee today

Pier refurbished

SOUTHEND Pier will be shut until at least Friday, January 22, so work on the walkway ramp can be carried out.

During the closure, the 1950s windbreaks will also be reinstated, windows in the pier's museum replaced and large areas repainted.

Councillor John Lamb, from Southend-Council, said: "The repairs to our iconic pier are proceeding well at the moment."

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Leigh designer goes it alone

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Competition

WIN! VIP entry to the Party and Event Show

IF YOU are planning a celebration then look no further than the Party and Event Show, which will be held at the

Brentwood Centre next weekend.

The event, which will be held at the Doddinghurst Road centre on Saturday and Sunday, January 30 and 31, offers a wide range of products and services all under one roof.

Whatever celebration or event you may be planning, whether its a mile-stone birthday, prom night, wedding, bar mitzvah, christening, charity event and or anything else, you will find the perfect mix of products and services, from high street brands to smaller outlets and individuals.

You will have the chance to touch, taste and feel many of the products that are being exhibited and with hourly catwalk shows, there is bound to be something for everyone at the Party and Event Show.

For further information about the show visit www.partyeventco.net Three lucky readers has the chance to

win a VIP ticket for them and a guest to join the Party and Event show on Saturday, January 30. The tickets includes:

- * Free entry to the show.
- * Reserved seating at catwalk shows throughout the day.
- * Drinks and canapés reception
- * A three-course meal with wine and coffee on the day of the show in a VIP section

The VIP winner will also get a goodie bag worth £150, including a month's



free membership to the Heartbeat Fitness Studio at The Brentwood Centre (www.brentwood-centre.co.uk), and entry into a VIP draw which is giving away a party night for eight to 10 guests, including limousine transport, dinner and entrance to a first-class nightclub, courtesy of 1st Event (www.1steventlimou-Limousines sines.co.uk)

The organisers of the show are also giving away nine pairs of regular tickets to visit the show.

For your chance to win just answer the following question:

Q: What is the name of The Brentwood Centre's fitness studio? Send your answer, along with your

name, address, e-mail address and telephone number, to VIP Competition, Yellow Advertiser, Acorn House, Great Oaks, Basildon, Essex, SS14 1AH.

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By Karen Davis

A BUSINESSWOMAN is on her way to making her first million having been rejected by the panel on TV's Dragon's Den then gaining the President of America as a client.

Natalie Ellis, 41, from Leigh, is the inventor of the Road Refresher dog bowl, which keeps your pet hydrated on car journeys and reduces spillage by 90 per cent. It also reduces slobber as pets can

only access a small amount of liquid at a time.

Natalie said: "This has been an amazing rollercoaster ride.

"My ambitions of cracking the American market looked to be crushed following my rejection on the Dragon's Den, who told me I had no chance.

But Natalie was not deterred, and out of the blue received a call from the assistant to American talk show hostess Paula Dene, who has a programme similar to Oprah Winfrey.

Natalie explained: "I was told that Michelle Obama had appeared on the show and asked Paula to find some good products for their new dog, Bo."

One of the products she found was

the Road Refresher.

Natalie swung into action and created a special version of the bowl modelled on the White House with Bo's name glittering on the front. The entrepreneur said she has

been inundated with orders since her TV appearance and is very excited at the imminent launch of some new products due to take place next month.

"This goes to show that hard work, determination and perseverance do pay off, and I am well on the way to turning my dream into reality," she added.

You can buy the Road Refresher from Pets At Home stores or online at www.roadrefresher.com

> speedread

Police appeal after burglary POLICE are appealing for

information regarding a burglary at a semi-detached house in Eastwood.

Between 11am on Saturday, January 9, and 3.35pm on Sunday, January 10, entry was gained to a house in Neil Armstrong Way, by smashing the glass in a rear double glazed door, causing £500 damage.

Various items of gold jewellery were stolen along with some cash, with a total overall value estimated at around £1,100.

Any information about this Any information about this incident should be passed to PC Rob Walker in the burglary squad at Southend on 0300 333 4444.

Westcliff home break-in

A WESTCLIFF home was broken into last week.

Entry was gained to a house in Bruton Avenue by smashing the back door, between 4.30pm on Friday, January 8, and 4.30pm

on Sunday, January 10. Around £100 damage was caused to the door, but nothing appears to have been stolen.

Members of the public with any information regarding this offence are asked to contact PC Rob Walker at Southend Police on 0300 333 4444.

Library art
AN ESSEX artist will host art
sessions in libraries across Rochford district.

Paul Alcock will help children with window decorations on Monday, February 15, from 10am to noon in Great

Wakering.
Mr Alcock will visit Rayleigh
on Tuesday, February 16, Rochford on Wednesday, February 17, and Hullbridge and Hockley libraries on Friday, February 19.

an you come up

FOOTBALL fans still have time to take part in this season's Get On Campaign competition, encourages supporters to create a new football chant for their favourite

The competition deadline has been extended to Sunday, January 24.

The best new chants will win some great prizes including ten pairs of tickets to Coca-Cola Championship League One or League Two matches in the 2009-10 season.

To enter go to www.direct.gov.uk/geton and click on the Footie Chant.

The Get On football chant competition aims to encourage adults to recognise the ability they already have with words in their daily life, and inspire those who need to brush up on their English or maths skills to

do so and gain a qualification. For free advice call 0800 66 0800 or

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WINNER: Hayley Duff from Turning Tides with her certificate recognising her hard work in the Big Tidy Up.

By Karen Davis

WARDEN working with a Southend community group has won an award for her work in helping resi-

an award for her work in helping residents to keep their community tidy in the national Big Tidy Up.

Hayley Duff, 30, from Rochford, has worked for Turning Tides Community group, which supports and helps vul-

nerable people living in Victoria, Milton and Kursaal wards.

Part of her brief is to improve the environment and work with residents to clear up the area they live in.

Hayley has gone beyond the call of duty by gaining funding, equipment, sponsoring rubbish removal and encouraging residents to be responsible for their own environment.

Her toughest project was getting local residents and various businesses to support clearing an alleyway in Heygate Road, Southend, which was 60 metres long and contained 10 year's worth of fly tipping.

Hayley said: "It was a great surprise to get the award as I didn't know that I had been nominated.

"The best thing is that residents have

got together and tackled issues such as fly-tipping and anti-social behaviour, and it's rewarding to see the results."

The awards were part of the Keep Britain Tidy Campaign and Hayley was nominated by her supervisor,

Anthony Quinn.
Anthony said: "We are very proud of Hayley and she thoroughly deserves the recognition."

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College is topsSOUTH East Essex College has been rated as the highest achieving Essex college in the latest National Performance

Tables for 2009.
It topped the college rankings in terms of average grade (or 'average point score') per exam entry, and was also the highest performing general college for average grades in Essex.

Football ban

A 17-YEAR-OLD boy received a football banning order at a hearing at Southend Youth Court last week.

The Southampton youngster was arrested during the Southend United v Southampton football match in October 2009.

A police football spotter witnessed racial chanting directed at a Southend player and the youth was arrested and subsequently charged.

He was given a three-year football banning order and a 12month supervision order.

AI30 crash

FIRE crews helped release a man trapped in his car following

a collision along the A130. Firefighters from Rayleigh Weir were called to the main road - between the A127 and Rettendon Turnpike - at 7am on Thursday.

The vehicle had flipped on to its roof.

The driver was taken to Southend Hospital where he recovered from his injuries.



esigns for life



By Karen Davis

A DESIGNER has taken her place in the ranks of international fashion.

Carmen Woods, 33, from Leigh, always wanted her own label, so when she found her roles with other fashion designers too restrictive, she launched her own eponymous

She said: "I knew that if I was to take control of the creative direction of my work, I would either have to slowly work my way to the top in a fashion house or do my own

Having worked for top designers and gained a wealth of knowledge, she realised that she was not able to be as creative as she wanted to be.

Carmen headed to Ravenna, in Italy, were she was able to create her own handmade leather handbags under the guidance of a top designer.

All the designs feature quality materials and many of them are based on intricate Byzantine mosaics.

Carmen sells her bags from her boutique store, Carmen, in Leigh Broadway, and via

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DESIGNER: Carmen Woods with one of the bags available from her shop in

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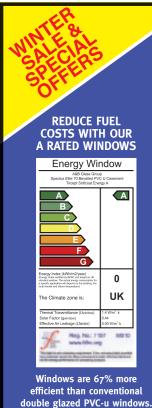
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Pub calls for punters to help less fortunate

By Karen Davis

A THORPE Bay pub is launching a new campaign to provide continuing aid to the victims of the 2004 Boxing Day Tsunami.

Project Re-Gift will help orphans in Thailand, as well as disadvantaged kids across the

Halfway House, in Eastern Esplanade, is calling for people to bring in unsuitable children's Christmas gifts to donate. Half of the collected items will

go to UK charity, 'KidsOut' which runs a toy box scheme providing toys for children fleeing domestic violence.

The rest will go to the Baan Tharn Namchai Orphanage in Khao Lak, one of the worst affected areas in Thailand.

The area is haven for Tsunami orphans who lost everything and is a vital part of a community still suffering physically and psychologically in the aftermath of the 2004 disaster.

The pub will have a collection point where people can hand in their items - from a single teddy bear to a bag filled with goodies.

All items must be new to comply with charity and customs regulations

Pub manager Taz Shah said: 'We're hoping our customers will donate their unsuitable children's presents to our campaign, giving kids who aren't so lucky a happy

"We have been amazed in the past at the generosity of our customers and I am sure they will step up once more to make 'Project Re-Gift' a real success."

HELPING HAND: Taz Shah, at the Halfway House, Thorpe Bay, with the Tsunami campaign to collect unwanted Christmas

presents. Picture by Mark Cleveland



The editor formally

DON'T know for how long you're meant to say it after January 1, but seeing as this is my first

column of 2010 - Happy New Year! It's been quite a few weeks now since I wrote this column. I hope there are more of you pleased to see it's back than those bemoaning its return. Something else published in the paper recently also seemed to have the Marmite' effect - the winning entry in our 2009 Ghost Story competition.

For those of you who didn't read it - it's available on our website – the story was written by a 22-year-old called Joe Hawkes.

Entitled Chatlog, it was written as a web conversation by two young girls using the text speak used by 'the youth of today'.

One of the girls is home alone and telling her friend how creeped out she feels and that she can hear noises. The subtle twist, which myself and the other judges really liked, comes when one of the characters logs off briefly to go and get her phone.

When she logs back on, she tries to encourage her friend to come over and keep her company, but her sentences are now written in full and not using the text speak.

The change is, as I said, very subtle and the way the story was written was very different from other entries, which helped it stand out.

There were complaints about Joe's story winning. The concerns raised were of the standard of English being used and that the story didn't state there was a ghost and it could have been anything or anyone.

For me, that need for the reader to use their

own imagination was part of the appeal

And, as for the English, I'm not a fan of this shortened text speak - I write my text messages in full sentences whereever possible but there is no getting away from the fact that that is how some young people speak

Whether you like the story or not, there is one positive to come out of this for everyone – it has created a debate about creative writing.

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Guttering

SOUTHEND Central Library is holding a big book sale on Saturday, February 6.

There will be plenty of fiction on offer, as well as non-fiction, children's titles, magazines, audio books, videos and DVDs.

Any library visitor who buys four

or more ex-library titles will be offered the chance to take their bargains home in a free re-useable bag made from natural fibres that is also biodegradable

Also on offer will be free energy efficient lightbulbs.

The library will be hosting an

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information display, providing residents with advice on how they can recycle, re-use and reduce waste and save on their energy bills.

more details, telephone Southend Central Library on 01702

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Builders start work on new children's centre

AN OPEN house event took place last week to celebrate the launch of a new children's centre.

The Hamstel Children and Family Centre will be situated next door to Hamstel Infant and Nursery School and the Hamstel Junior School in Hamstel Road, Southchurch.

Building work has already started, and from Tuesday, January 19, services will operate on a tempo-rary basis from the nearby Whittingham Avenue Methodist Church on Whittingham Avenue and transfer to the new centre on completion.

The centre will offer health and family support services for children aged 0 to 19 living in the area.

Children's centre co-ordinator Imelda Callowhill hopes that the centre will become a focal point for

the whole community.

She said: The centre will hold a children's health clinic every Tuesday from 1-5pm and we intend to introduce a whole range of age-appropriate activities leading on

from that.

"We want input from the whole community - life can be very isolating nowadays and we can help.
"We have a tree in the centre for

people to put their comments and suggestions on - we want the centre to grow holistically and involve all who want to visit us.'

The centre has been specifically designed to support the needs of



COMMUNITY SPIRIT: Workers and residents at the open house event to launch the new Sure Start Centre in Southchurch.

the local community and feedback from ongoing consultations will play a vital role in determining the future development of child and family services at the centre.

The new centre is part of a groundbreaking government initiative to ensure that every child has the best start in life, and will provide access to health and advisory

services under one roof.

The Hamstel Children and Family Centre will provide access to the following services:

Child and family health ser-

- vices, from health visitors to breastfeeding support.
- Advice and support for parents and carers.
- Creche facilities, play and

early learning for babies and tod-dlers and family learning.

- Help in finding childcare, employment and training, including links with Jobcentre.

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Councillor vows to fight potholes



A CONSERVATIVE councillor has pledged to tackle Southend's pothole problem, which has been worsened by the recent spell of the bad

Executive councillor for transport and planning, Anna Waite, said that more than £700,000 has been recently spent on a new regime of pothole repair.

She claimed: "There has been a noticeable improve-ment in highway surfacing but now we are looking at major

pothole repairs.
"In view of this, I have requested that the Government be approached for extra funds along with the council's finance department."

Mrs Waite has also set up a pothole e-mail line via www.seasidenews.net so residents can report serious dam-

She said: "Clearly we do not have unlimited resources and cannot repair all the potholes immediately, but we will give priority in respect of the location, depth and danger they present."

HOLEY ORDERS: Southend's executive councillor for transport and planning, Anna Waite, by some potholes in Thorpe Bay. Picture by Mark Clevelar



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THE RSPCA is investigating an incident after a black cat was found which was tied inside a bin bag and trapped inside a bin bag in Westcliff

on Friday, January 8. The female cat, now called Titch, was rescued by the RSPCA after being found sealed in a rucksack

left in a bin on Glenwood Avenue.

Cat left to die in a Westcliff

RSPCA Inspector Matt Gough said: "This was a deliberate act to harm a healthy, friendly animal. "Titch was very lucky to have

been heard in the bin before she suf-

fered any permanent harm."

Titch has now been offered a home but the RSPCA still has a number of other adult cats that desperately need a home.

Anybody with any information on who trapped Titch in the bin is asked to call the RSPCA in confidence on 0300 1234 999.

BAG-PUSS: Titch in the safe hands of RSPCA inspector Matt Gough, who also holds the bag she was found trapped in.





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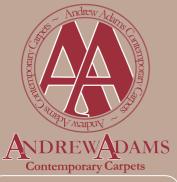


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nger over Clifftown Parade's palm trees

By Karen Davis

ENVIRONMENTAL group has spoken out against the council's decision to substitute trees hacked down at a local landmark with others, half the size.

Three miniature palm trees have been planted in Clifftown Parade, near the statue of Queen Victoria, to replace four cordyline palms that were cut down by council contractors in December after one was said to

Concerned residents involved and prevented the felling of one tree.

Patsy Link, from the environmental group Saxon King in Priory Park, said: "The council promised they would replace these trees like for like and what are we left with?

"Three trees that are half the

size of the originals."

Dorothy Thompson, 73, of Clifftown Parade said: "I just don't get it. Why saw down

some obviously healthy trees just to replace them with little ones of the same kind?

"It's a good thing they were replaced reasonably quickly, but what a waste of time and taxpayers' money."

A council spokesman said the new trees were the same as the old ones, but smaller.

PALM MYSTERY: The replacement palm trees in Clifftown Parade. Picture by Mark Cleveland

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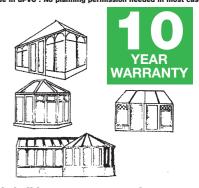
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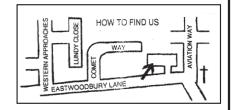
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CCTV call after raid

By Matthew Stanton

CALLS have been made for CCTV to be installed near Rayleigh shops following an armed robbery in a post office.

Traders surrounding Grange Sub Post Office, off London Road, want surveillance reinstalled after the business was robbed at gunpoint.

There were two cameras covering the area, but Rochford District Council took them

down four years ago. Councillor Chris Lumley (Lib Dem, Grange), who represents the ward with his wife, June, said: "The council took the cameras down believing lighting and extra lampposts were a better deterrent.

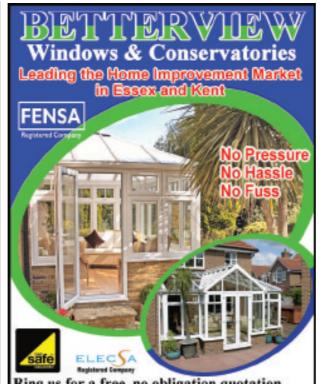
"I think it is obvious that is not the case and I will take up the call from businesses who need CCTV back."

The CCTV across the town has now been taken on by Rayleigh Town Council in an effort to improve security and reassure the

Kerry Cumberland, Rayleigh Town Council clerk, said members would discuss the issue at the next environment committee meeting on Monday, February 1.

Ward councillor, June Lumley (Lib Dem, Grange), said improving security was vital to

Anyone with information about the robbery on Tuesday, December 29, at 5pm, should call 0300 333 4444.



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Diesel siphoned from depot

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Castle Point Council will look into improving surveillance at the Farmhouse site, in Somnes Avenue, following two incidents in a month.

The suspects siphoned diesel out of the vehicle's tanks.

A Castle Point
Council spokesman
confirmed the
council was investigating both incidents - both took
place either side of
the New Year.
The council will

The council will also look at ways to improve the site one being installing more cameras.

Anyone with information should call 0300 333 4444.

Students cash pledge

By Matthew Stanton

THUNDERSLEY students raise cash to help buy a pup for Essex Police.

Pupils from SEEVIC College, in Runnymede Chase, handed over a cheque so that Monty, a German Shepherd, could be trained for police use in January 2011

in January 2011.

The 12-week-old dog, who visited the college last Tuesday, was pur-

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PC Dave Frost said: "Monty was really well received by the students and Essex Police dog section is very grateful for the donation."



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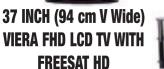
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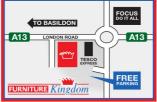


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SIMPLY THE BEST: An impression of the new training centre currently under construction at Southend Adult Community College.

College gets grant

By Karen Davis

A SOUTHEND college is celebrating the news that it has been granted £605,000 from the East of England Development Agency (EEDA) to build a new environmentally-friendly centre in its grounds.

The BEST (Business, Enterprise and Skills Training) Centre will be completed in time for the start of this year's summer term at Southend Adult Community Centre (SACC) and will pro-vide an informal venue for people who have been away from the workplace for some time.

This includes the long-term unemployed or people who have cared for a dependant and now wish to return to work.

The centre will offer short courses in interview skills, CV writing, basic computer skills, confidence building, maths, English and more formal long-term NVQ and apprenticeship pro-

College principal, Ali Hadawi said "I am thrilled that all the hard work of colleagues at the college and at Southend-on-Sea Borough Council has made the grant of this money possible and look forward to SACC breaking more new ground in the town when the BEST Centre opens in April 2010.

"Not everyone is comfortable with returning to learning in a formal classroom setting and we hope to show everyone that SACC, through the BEST Centre, will now be able to help even more people achieve their goals"

Other key agencies, Business Link and Job Centre Plus, will also use the centre to aid peo-ple back into employment and training.

Southend Council leader, Councillor Nigel Holdcroft, said: "We are delighted that the college has received the funding to enable this excellent centre to go ahead.

"It will offer people a vital chance to gain key skills, transform their futures and help them fulfil their potential."

Cash box theft

POLICE in Leigh are appealing for information regarding a theft from a pub's fruit machine. A man grabbed the cash box from inside a fruit machine in the Elms pub, London Road, on Thursday, January 7, at around 6pm.

He ran off towards Cranleigh Drive.

The man is described as being of Turkish appearance, medium build, in his late 20s. He is around 5f kins to 3f kins tall with dark cropped

appearance, medium build, in his late 20s. He is around 5ft 6ins to 5ft 8ins tall with dark cropped hair. He wore a black woolly hat and black bomber style jacket with jeans.

The box contained a three-figure sum of cash. PC Suzanne Hellier said: "We'd appeal for anyone to come forward who may have been in the pub at the time and can offer further information."

PC Hellier can be contacted at Leigh Police Station on 0300 3334444.

Car broken into

POLICE are appealing for information regarding a theft from a car in St Clements Drive, Leigh.

Having parked on his driveway at midday on Wednesday, January 6, the owner returned to his car at 4pm on Friday, January 9 to find someone had entered it and stolen his SatNav, some CDs and about £3 in loose It is unknown how the thieves gained

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Executive councillor for adult social care, health and housing,

and equalities champion for the council, Councillor Mark Flewitt said: "This is excellent news and a tribute to the hard work and determination of the council to change its corporate culture in a positive

"The council prides itself on promoting access to its services to all parts of the community and being a good employer for all

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Opinion and readers' letters

Council has not learnt its lessons

THEY are at it again, cutting down mature trees, this time on and around the roundabout

by Southend Victoria Station.
On Sunday, January 10, the council cut down over 20 mature trees, some of them up to 100 feet tall, leaving us with a bleak, stark skyline for years

We now get the full impact of the ugly ex VAT office and the vast expanse of cold concrete that forms the bridge etc, between the station and the Victoria Shopping Centre, instead of the softened view we had before, and won't get again for at least 40 years.

Our council does not learn. It should know by now that it is better and cheaper to work with nature than against it.

Look at the cliffs. Some years ago, this council stupidly cut down all the mature trees in the little park above the cliffs. Result - the massive amount of water the trees used to soak up, ran as an underground stream and caused the cliff slippage.

The stream is now exposed in some places and can be seen running down the cliffs

What have the council done about it? They have spent thousands of pounds of our money trying to work against nature so that they can build a

museum on it.

Don't they realise, cliffs are by their very nature unstable. Whatever you do, nature is likely to win in the end, so why not do what they should have done years ago? Make the cliff as stable as possible by cutting it back a bit at the top and other steep areas to reduce the risk of further slip-

Help the stream make its way down the cliff in a con-trolled manner to reduce the back pressures that caused the problem in the first place and plant the whole site with trees and colourful shrubs that have deep root systems.

I am sure with a bit of help, our parks department could make a wonderful job of it.

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R J and P A Nunn Chalkwell Lodge, London Road, Westcliff

We are committed to helping people

I AM responding to a letter written by the resident of Kensington Road (YA Letters, Jan 13) intimating that my role of councillor, together with other Conservative colleagues has been responsible for contributing to poverty in the poorest parts of Southend for

the past nine years.
I strongly refute that allegation. I would counter that allegation by arguing that all of the councillors from all parties are committed to tackling social inequality in the town regardless of voting decisions

on a range of issues. When national disasters occur such as a failing economy, a special quality that people in communities such as Kursaal ward display by com-ing together to support one another. This is what I define as culture. Welfare benefits are avail-

able to assist those most in need in our society. The families I help are in need in most cases through circumstances out of their control (e.g. death in a family, drug addiction in children or just bad luck).

One such family I am helping are still waiting for child benefits to be processed after almost 12 months. The child benefits are not processed by Southend Borough Council but the Child Benefit Office.

This case is evidence of child poverty that our government pledged to reduce over 10 years ago.

The culture of support provided by the Kursaal community that they live in is invaluable. The benefits system is failing some families, leading to people struggling in a benefits culture causing frustration and despair of depression. Myself and leading social

activist Louise Burdett, Chair of Kursaal Peoples Foundation, have spent the last few years supporting many Kursaal residents.

We both believe that Gordon Brown's and Tony Blair's application of socialism has let many people down.

I would like Louise Burdett to run as Conservative candidate in this year's local government election representing Kursaal ward because she is making a difference to peo-ple's lives on a daily basis. Together we would continue

to change the stereotype of statistics and increase hope amongst residents in Kursaal ward.

In a few years from now, the City Beach development will symbolise hope and regenera-tion and showcase Kursaal ward as a resourceful environment with workers ready and waiting to push the economy to growth.

> Councillor Blaine Robin **Buttervs. Southend**

Southend is becoming a concrete

jungleI COMPLETELY agree with P
Fox with regard to the destruction of the trees around Southend (YA Letters, Jan 13). I cannot understand the

council's argument that the trees in Victoria Circus need to be cut down to enable them to make a more 'attractive' gate-way to the town, which in itself is an ugly concrete nightmare.

Surely, more greenery, not less, is needed. Why couldn't they find a way to incorporate the trees in the scheme?

Our council does not seem to have any real idea of the views of the people of this town and just carry on regardless as though they belong to their own little private club. I also feel the way they have

gone about getting rid of the trees has been downright sneaky. One here, one there without anybody realising that it seems to be part of a greater scheme to turn Southend into a big concrete jungle.

L Holiday Prittlewell Chase, Southend

Cliffs panto was excellent

THE Cliffs pantomime was excellent and Brian Connolly was great - can he appear in

the panto every year?
Also the 10.30am show on New Year's Eve was cheaper

for us old age pensioners.

I would like to thank our postman for daily deliveries in all weathers and the people who put the Yellow Advertiser

through our letterboxes.

The only downside is the lack of gritting on our roads.

I'm sure the council is fed up with this complaint. I suppose as pensioners, mostly in the area, we should stay at home and hope the weather

Mrs J Walkley North Crescent, Prittlewell, Southend

Plans show no common sense

NOTED in the Yellow Advertiser (YA, Jan 13) is the commencement of the makeover of the town, with the installation of six 100ft lampposts on the seafront.

I question the wisdom of this project, especially the lampposts on the seafront, and wonder if some of the money could have been put to more sensible use, such as stabilis-ing the cliffs and building strong revetment walls to prevent further slips where the cliffs are unstable.

Part of the money could have been used to install more pelican crossings on some extremely busy roads, where crossing is very difficult, espe-cially for those who are dis-abled or have to use scooters.

This is a matter of common sense, and Southend Borough Council seriously lacks it.

Some of the money could also have been used to build a new branch library, namely to replace the shabby, worn-out library building in Lifstan Way, which would be far more beneficial than fancy lampposts for the seafront.

Leon J Isaacs Huntingdon Road, Southend

There are better ways to help us

YET again I see a headline in your paper about a unit that works for the health of the community ceasing to exist due to lack of funds (YA, Jan 13), while our councillors are prancing about spending £25million on state-of-the-art lighting columns for the seafront.

The money for this glorified project comes from the East of England Housing and Communities Agency but appears to involve no housing and, certainly as far as I am concerned, no assistance to the local community.
Where could £25million

come from when our government is actually billions in

debt anyway? Surely clearing up rubbish, doing something with the derelict site across from the Kursaal and keeping important health services running would be cheaper, as well as a better

way to service the community.

Mrs Julia Brock Stirling Avenue, Leigh

What will happen to our market?

ON a recent visit to Southend (where I grew up and lived for many years), I was appalled to see York Road market derelict.

Paintings and art on the boarded-up shops tell a sad story of traders forced to leave after 37 years of business.

Not only that, but friends in the town tell me that traders were made to leave at very short notice, after a long period of having no clear information as to the market's future. I also understand that the

council, after closing the market in October in the face of public and trader opposition, is now requesting fresh evidence that a renewed market is wanted by locals and traders.

If this is true, it seems diffi-cult to avoid the conclusion that the council wants to destroy the market - showing contempt for local business, local opinion, and one of the town's historic assets.

Everyone knows the market as a popular and well-frequented retail centre - what's more, one with character.

How does the market's closure, with no clear plans for its future, fit into the council's own 'Town Centre Strategy 2002-2012'?

This document, available to download on its website, emphasises the need to work with the 'support of local stakeholders to sustain and

enhance the town'.

'A really good street market' is required for the town's urban renaissance, according to Lord Rogers of Riverside's quote on the Strategy's first page – why, then, are they slowly strangling the market?

The market contained many traders supplying affordable fruit and vegetables, second hand goods, bicycles and repair shops, textiles and sewing shops – exactly the kind of business the council should be supporting!

Not only this, but it would seem obvious that a revamped Victorian Lanes could be the jewel in any plan to regenerate Southend's town centre.

Here we have one last vestige of Southend and its glorious Victorian past; other seaside towns such as Brighton have protected such assets and seen fourist footfall increase. What will Southend do?

I was disturbed to read in the same Town Centre Strategy document vague plans to 'attract developers to development opportunities in Tylers/York Road'.

I am waiting for reassurance from the council that it does not intend to demolish the market for new development.

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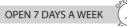




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The mixed media installation

is his first regional solo show in the UK, and has 'extra added context' because it is being held in Tris' home town.

The show will include photography, film, sound and performance.

This means that voice effects will be broadcast on the library's public address system at various times each day.

Tris explained that the work could be called 'exotic' as it relates to an international travelogue, but, said: "It is rooted with the idea of my upbringing, and is related to parts of Southend."

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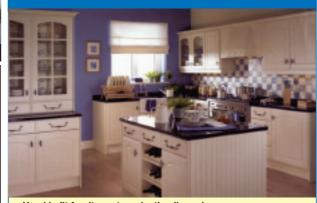
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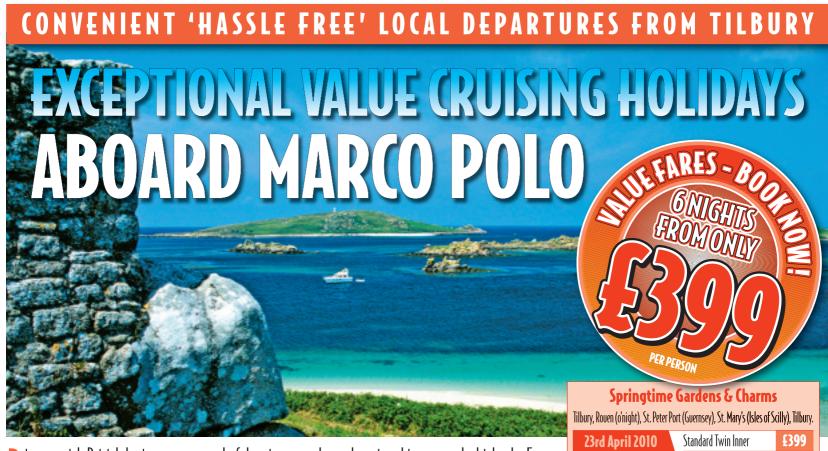
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'We were just doing our jobs'

TWO heroic country park rangers who pulled a woman to safety from a frozen lake said they were 'just doing their job'.

John Wilderspern, 61 and Mike Greenslade, 36, were making their way round the 300-acre Hornchurch Country Park in their Land Rover when they spotted Jim Sudgrue waving frantically at them.

The pensioner, 69, was pointing towards a woman who had fallen into the icy waters.

The pair armed themselves with ropes and netting, and ran over to help the woman, who

netting, and ran over to help the woman, who

kept falling through the ice.

John said: "The woman had run across the frozen lake and fallen in because she was chasing her dog.

"She was up to her neck in freezing water – she was completely saturated.
"The man who had alerted us was actually

John and Mike pulled the woman to safety and bundled her into their Land Rover.

John said: "Our first aid training came in

and the said. Our first aid training came in handy. We knew she needed warming up — and quickly — so we wrapped a lot of bin bags around her to heat her up.

"We don't think we are heroic, we just feel we have done a good job. It was all in a day's work."

Hero gives warning after saving woman from lake

By Matthew Stanton

A GRANDFATHER who helped save a young dog walker from an icy fishing lake has warned pet owners to keep animals on a lead.

Jim Sudgrue, of Brookdale Avenue, came to the woman's aid while walking through Hornchurch Country Park at around 2.30pm on Monday.

The 69-year-old, who was bird watching at the time, alerted park rangers who then pulled the women out using a

The father-of-two, who is married to Carol, believes the woman would have lost her life if he did not act.

He said: "I heard the lady shouting at her dog. He was on the ice having a great time chasing the ducks

"I was worried when I saw her walking towards him, then she went in too.

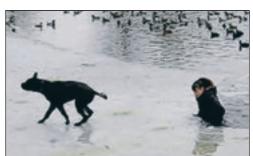
"I took 20 seconds to decide what to do. I couldn't have gone in to save her as we both would have been stuck.

"I found the rangers but couldn't speak, so I just pointed towards the lake. I acted quicker than any 999 call.

"My warning is, if you're walking a dog near a lake, please put them on a lead -

especially in icy conditions." Keen historian Jim spends up to three hours once a fortnight walking Hornchurch Country Park and caught the ordeal on camera.

The retired television engineer, who has lived in the area for 32 years, had planned to take photographs of migrating birds before being called into action.



TERRIFYING: The young lady was rescued from fishing lake in Hornchurch Country Park.





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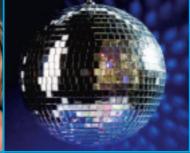


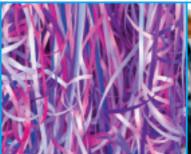
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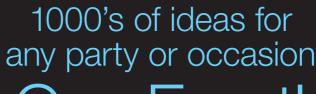












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our verdict

The Cater Museum was quite a small museum but there was a lot of stuff inside to look at. There were photographs on the walls and lots of things in display cabinets. Some of the rooms were set out as they would

have been years and years ago. There was a kitchen, a parlour and also a bedroom. Another room had lots of stuff in it from the Second World War and another had a model of a classroom in it. There was also a gar-

look round too. Joseph Chambers, 12

den we could

There were a few different rooms in the museum that we could look around, and they were on three floors. Some of them were set out as though they were rooms in a house from years ago. They looked different to what our rooms at home look like. There were

lots of photographs on the walls which we could look at and a lot of them were black and white. There was an air raid shelter at the top of the stairs and a room full of

stuff from Joshua Chambers, 8 the war.

fact file

■ DIRECTIONS: The Cater Museum can be found at 74 High Street, Billericay

■ OPENING TIMES: The museum is open from 2-5pm Monday to Saturday (closed Bank Holidays).

■ ENTRANCE: Free. ■ FURTHER INFORMATION: Contact the museum on 01277 622023 or visit www.catermuseum.co.uk

Discover the past

LIZ WADE and her two boys trace a town's past on their visit to the Cater Museum in Billericay

LOVELY little house in the middle of a busy High Street is a great place to explore with the kids as it is

crammed full of interesting items.
The Cater Museum is dedicated to preserving the history of Billericay for future generations and has been welcoming visitors since 1960.

The museum is housed in an 18th and 19th Century red brick building, which has been home to many families over the years including saddlers and harness makers until it was purchased by Mrs Cater, the wife of William Alexander Cater, to provide a museum for the town of Billericay.

Not only does the museum help preserve artefacts from the town's past, it also helps preserve the building for future generations to enjoy

Even the outside of the building is a museum to the past as its windows depict events in years gone by.

One of its windows is criss-crossed with tape, depicting the wartime practice of reducing flying glass, while another in the centre of the first floor is bricked up as a reminder of the window tax, when people attempted to lower their tax burdens.

Over the years, local residents have donated items to the museum and it has built up a vast collection of items, from World War Two artefacts to toys from bygone days.

It is also packed with information about local families and buildings, and details of the farming community that lived in the town in previous centuries.

It is a great place to explore with children as it encourages them to ask lots of questions about the things they see.

It also shows them what homes would have looked like in Victorian times, thanks to its rooms that are set out just as they would have been.

As we walked into the Cater Museum, we were greeted by photographs of people who used to live there and watched a short film on the screen about the museum. The former living room and the shop and work-shop on the ground floor are now local shops so we climbed the stairs to explore the first floor of the building.

There we found a parlour, which had been furnished to portray the last quarter of the 1800s and showed the Victorian's fondness for putting a large number of pictures on the walls and ornaments on every available surface.

The house's kitchen, which was originally on the ground floor, has also been recreated on the first floor, with everything you would have needed in those times to prepare a meal, iron your clothes and take a bath. The museum's bedroom

scene, complete with an Arabstyle bed that is original to the house, shows the furnishings and textiles of the late Victorian era, while another room houses a collection of photographs and portraits of people from Billericay, as well as a range of artefacts from oil lamps and ink pots to pocket watches and pill boxes, and even a model of a 1950s school classroom



We climbed to the top floor of the building and were greeted by an air raid shelter display at the end of the corridor, next to a room full of things from the war.

We had a look around the top floor's other room, full of examples of craftsmanship from the 18th to the 20th Century, before going back downstairs.

The garden, which once stretched to a large Tudor barn that was used as a stable, has been restored as a period kitchen and herb garden for visitors to enjoy.

The museum is a lovely place,

and offers a wealth of information, not just on the local area, but on life from bygone days.

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Sunday, January 24

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Short Mat Bowls, Sundays 7.30-10pm, all

welcome, £1.50 entry, call Dave 01268 527084.

Monday, January 25

■ Traditional Board Games, Pastoral Centre, St Clement's Church, 2.30pm, all welcome.
■ Meeting, Benfleet Camera Night, St George's Church Hall, Rushbottom Lane, Benfleet, 'League Competition', 8-10pm, visitors welcome.
■ Jazz, Oakwood, Rayleigh Road,
Eastwood, Ron Spack's Jazztet featuring Dave Jago trombone/Chris English keyboard, 8.30pm. 01702 512819.
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Tuesday, January 26

■ Walk, Greenway Group, start 10am, Hannakins Farm Community Centre, Rosebay Avenue, Billericay, 5 miles towards

Buttsbury Church and Ingatestone Hall

Buttsbury Church and Ingatestone Hall. 01277 656508.

Walk, Ramblers' Friends Group, meet 10.30am. The Cock Inn, Stock, (6 stiles), 4 miles, pub Inch.

Meeting, Southend Area Carers' Group, 1 Queens Road, Southend, offering support to the families and friends of people with mental health problems (supported by Rethink), 8pm, free to all, further details 01702 430432.

■ Club Night, Rayleigh Horticultural Society, St Michael's Church Hall, Sir Walter Raleigh Drive, Rayleigh (off London Road, near entrance to Sweyne Park School), 8-10pm,

entrance to Śweyne Park School), 8-10pm, admission £1 members, £2 non-members, including tea/coffee.

Mainstream Jazz, Spike's Place Jazz Club, Hadleigh Hall, Rectory Road, Hadleigh, 'Nina Ferro Quartet', 8.30pm, 01245 420475.

Folk Music, The Hoy at Anchor Folk Club, The Ship, New Road, Old Leigh, 'Liz Simcock Tiro', 8pm, 01702 715111.

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New and Nearly New Stall, outside St Martin's Church, Town Centre, Basildon, facing the gardens (if wet in church foyer), every Tuesday 10am-noon.

Football Sessions for girls, Fryerns Recreation Ground, £1 drop in sessions, Tuesdays, 5.30-6.30pm, community project supported by Basildion Council, in association with Leigh Cettic Girls FC. 07882 association with Leigh Celtic Girls FC. 07882 456558.

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■ Duplicate Bridge, Balmoral Bridge Club, Highland's Methodist Church (back of car park), Olive Avenue, Leigh, 7pm, also on Mondays 1pm, Vermon 01702 343611.
■ Table Tennis, Warehouse Centre, 7 Brook Road, Rayleigh, Tuesdays 7.30-10.30pm, alwelcome, 23.50 a session. 01268 779100.
■ Table Top Sale, Outpatients Foyer, Southend Hospital, every Tuesday 9.30am-3pm, Breathe Easy Southend, helping support people with lung problems. 01702 258661.

■ Meeting, Just Good Friends Friendship Club, South Benfleet Social Club, every Tuesday 8.15pm, for singles over 50. 01268 692998.

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 NCT Bumps and Babies, social group for expectant and new mums, Langham Hall, Langham Crescent, Billericay, every Tuesday 1-2.30pm, 01268 452781.

 Whist Drive, Westcliff United Reformed Church, corper of Klores Pead and Mount
- Whist Drive, Westcliff United Reformed Church, corner of Kings Road and Mount Avenue, Westcliff, every Tuesday 1.45-4pm. Top Cats Social Club, (Southend Mencap), Castle View School, Meppel Avenue, Canvey, Tuesdays 7-9.45pm, for adults with learning disabilities age 25 plus, £2 per session, membership details 01702 341250. Tuesday Luncheon Club, Inter-Church Caring for the Elderk and Disabled Avenue.
- luesday Luncheon Culo, Inter-Church Caring for the Elderly and Disabled, Avenue Baptist Church Hall, Milton Road, Westcliff, for people living alone or with their carers, 01702 478691/525141/340617.

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- Tuesday 8-9.30pm, and Thursdays 12.30-2pm, we are a very successful and caring group, Michael 01268 527283.

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 Shoebury Flagship, Rainbow Children's Centre, Friars School, Constable Way, Shoebury, every Tuesday 1.30-3.30pm, health visiting team offering activities, advice and support for parents with bables and children aged up to 5 years. 01702 577656.

 Mumr2Mum, Breastfeeding support group, St Michael's Church Annexe, Sir Walter Raleigh Drive, Rayleigh, Tuesdays 10.30am-noon, pregnant mums welcome. 07801 097605.

Wednesday, January 27

■ Meeting, Rayleigh Castle (Evening) Townswomen's Guild, Rayleigh Parish Centre, Rectory Garth, Rayleigh, talk 'Mission to Seafarers', by Pam Davies Mission to Sealarers, by Farm Davies, 7.45pm, visitors welcome. 01268 745922. ■ Monthly Meeting, Wickford Horticultural Society, Catholic Church Hall, London Road, Wickford, 8-10pm, talk "London Parks" by Jim Buttress, annual subscription 24, entrance £1, refreshments included, all

- welcome.
 Social Afternoon, Civil Service Retirement Fellowship, Balmoral Community Centre Salisbury Avenue, Westcliff, 2-4pm, 01702
- Barn Dance, Grand Ceilidh Club, Southend Rugby Football Club, Sumpters Way, Southend, live music from Rat on a Stick, 8.30pm, free entry on first visit. 07818
- Salsa, George Hurd Centre, Audley Way. Basildon, for over 50s, every Wednesday 11.30am-12.30pm, no partner required. 01268 465854.
- Over 50s Session, Warehouse Centre, 7
 Brook Road, Rayleigh, Wednesdays and
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- project supported by Basildon Council, £1 drop in sessions every Wednesday 7-8pm ages 16-60, call Paul 07882 456558. Rayleigh Country Market, WI Hall, Bellingham Lane, Wednesdays 8.30-11.30am.
- Breastmaits, The Cambridge Road ■ Breastmarts, The Cambridge Road, Children's Centre, Cambridge Road, Southend, every Wednesday 10am-noon, support for breastfeeding. 07837 236656.
 ■ Parent and Toddler Group, Caterpillars, Chalkwell Park Methodist Church, Eastwood Lane South, (off Southbourne Grove), Westolff, 9.30-11.30am. 01702 478343.
 ■ Parent and Toddler Group, Honeybees, eighten Community Capter, Asten Boad
- Laindon Community Centre, Aston Road, High Road, Laindon, Wednesdays and Fridays, 9.30am and 10.30am. 01268 449431/07944 983734.

Thursday, January 28

- Café Kursaal Opens, Kursaal, First Floor. ■ Cate Kursaai Upens, Kursaai, Irist Floor, Eastern Esplanade, Southend, hot/Cold refreshments, afternoon teas, hornemade cooked meals, fully licensed, everyday 10am-3pm, 01702 468830. ■ Special Needs Evening, Partyman World of Play, Unit 14, Repton Close, Burnt Mills
- Industrial Estate, Basildon, for children with special needs and their siblings, 6.30-8.30pm, details 08450 345123.
- Art Workshop, Artist's Studio, South Avenue, Southend, 10am-3pm, stay all day or a minimum of 2 hours, £5 per hour,

- beginners welcome, call 01702 329408/ 07958 486634 or www.artonsea.co.uk Swimming Lessons, James Hornsby
- Swintning Lessons, James Hornsby School, Thursdays 7.30-8.30pm (term time), beginners, improvers or just swim to keep fit. 01268 543079.

 Sales Table, Outpatients Foyer, Southend Hospital, every Thursday 7.30am-3.30pm, toys, books, bric-a-brac, etc. 01702
- Ballroom Dancing, Lourdes Hall, ■ Ballroom Dancing, Lourdes Hall, Marguerite Drive, Leigh, 8-10.30pm, newcomers welcome, particularly single people looking for company, music and dancing to suit all. 01702 475452.

 ■ Tea Dance, St James' Church Hall, Elmsleigh Drive, Leigh, ballroom, Latin and Sequence Thursday 2,415pm, 01702
- sequence, Thursdays 2-4.15pm. 01702
- Buddies Club for single over 50s. Anchor ■ Budoles Club for single over 5uS, Anchor Pub, Essex Way, Benfleet, varied programme, Thursdays 8.30pm. 01268 282143.
 ■ Whist Drive, Our Lady of Lourdes Church Hall, Marguerite Drive, Leigh, Thursdays 1.45pm, entry £1.20.
 ■ Drama/Social Club, working for Animal Charities St Genora's Hall (neer Tarnots)
- Drama/Social Club, working for Animal Charities, St George's Hall (near Tarpots), Rushbottom Lane, Berifleet, new members needed, no acting experience required, Thursdays, 13.0-3.30pm. 0.1286 697357.
 Social Tennis, Crowstone and St Saviour's LTC, Victory Path, Chalkwell, Thursdays 2pm, for improvers, £3 visitors fee. 01702 7.11823.
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 Yoga Classes, Unitarian Hall, Grange Gardens, Southend, 6-7.30pm and 8-9.30pm, non-profit making. 01702 616990.

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 Healing, The Cedars, Castle Road, Rayleigh, fully trained healers by Essex Healers Association, Thursdays 10-11.30am, all welcome.

 Meeting, Billericay Art Club, Church Hall, Great Burstead, 8pm, new members of every ability welcome. 01277 656877.

 Art on Sea Painting Group, St Peter's, Eastbourne Grove, Westcliff, every Thursday 1.15-3.15pm. 01702 329408.

 Meeting, Billericay Baby Cafe, Community Church, Queens Park, Billericay, for Breastfeeding mums, Thursdays (term time),

Friday, January 29

- Burns Night, Preview Live Music Club, upstairs at The Spread Eagle, Victoria Avenue, Prittlewell, Southend, 21.50 entry with Haggis, Neeps and Tattys, featuring Bob Dresner and Maddie Maxwell, plus Clive Cowan, 8.30pm start, membership £1 for life
- Friday Lunches, Pastoral Centre, St Clement's Church, 12.30-1.30pm, all
- welcome.Meeting, Leigh Floral Arrangement Group, Leigh Community Centre, flower arranging demonstration by Eve Regelous, 7.30pm,
- demonstration by Eve Hegelous, 7.3 upm, everyone welcome, admission £4. Watercolour Class, Leigh Sailing Club, Old Leigh, 10.1 Stam-12.15pm and 1.30-3.30pm, weekly happy classes for everyone, details 01702 807173. Drama Classes, Helen O'Grady Drama Acceptant The Statute Chest Levil Park Disc.
- Academy, The Stables, Chalkwell Park Drive, Leigh, not a stage school, designed to increase children's life skills, Fridays after
- school, to enrol call Dina 01245 328680.

 Bargain Box Open, Pastoral Centre, St Martin's Church, Basildon (Church walk near Marks and Spencer), every Friday 10amnoon, good quality/nearly new clothes, bric-a-brac, books, videos etc, tea/coffee, all
- a-brac, books, vindeos etc, tearcollee, all welcome, no entrance charge.

 Come and try Diving, Gloucester Park Swimming Pool, every Friday 8-10pm, learn to scuba dive, details Paul 07802 643734.

 Table Tennis, Markhams Chase Sports Centre, Basildon, Fridays 2pm, £2.50 per session session.

 Modern Sequence Tea Dance, St James

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 Church Hall, Einsleigh Drive, Leigh, Fridays
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 8-10pm, details Jim Davis 01702 292867.
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 Southend, Fridays 8pm, healing from 7pm.
 Clairvoyance, Hockley Old Fire Station,
 Southend Road, Hockley, (next to Spa Pub),
 visiting mediums, Fridays 7,30-9,30pm.
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Tobey Maguire is a revelation as a soldier haunted by his experiences in Afghanistan, whose deep psychological wounds threaten to tear his family apart. Jake Gyllenhaal plies roquish charm as his brother and Natalie Portman is on form as a doting mother, searching for affection in the midst of grief.

Ninja Assassin (18) NINJA Assassin is a relentless orgy of slashing and dismemberment, glued together by a

Gifted ninja Raizo (Rain) turns against the secret fraternity which trained him, after his clan brother kills his sweetheart.

Meanwhile, a feisty Europol agent is investigating high profile political assassinations and, along with Raizo, tries to bring down the clan. Rain has no charisma but the set pieces are pulled off with verve. ★★

The Boys Are Back (12A) A WIDOWER struggles to raise his young son in the aftermath of terminal illness in Scott Hicks's moving drama, based on the emo-

tionally devastating memoir of Simon Carr. By turns touching and funny, The Boys Are Back is a reminder that there's no instruction manual for good parenting. Sports reporter Joe Warr (Clive Owen) follows his wife to her Australian home but when she's struck down with terminal illness, he's left to bring up his

Toy Story 2 in 3D (U) SCREENING in 3D in anticipation of the release of Toy Story 3 in July, Toy Story 2 is smarter, slicker, faster and funnier than the



original.
Whereas the first Toy Story belonged to Buzz Lightyear, part two is Woody's film, focusing on the lovable cowboy's battle with an evil toy store manager who plans to sell him to a Japanese collector.

Tom Hanks and Tim Allen go to infinity and beyond as Woody and Buzz, whose love-hate relationship provides Toy Story 2 with its most humorous moments. ***

The Book Of Eli (15)

IN a lawless and perilous wasteland that once was America, Eli (Denzel Washington) holds the secret to civilisation's rebirth - a secret he guards with pride, dispatching anyone who dares jeopardise his mission to deliver the precious information to those who can carry out his wish.

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T'S not every day that a Hollywood star comes to this neck of the woods, but that's exactly what is

happening next week. Kelly McGillis, who is best known for her roles in Witness and Top Gun, will be treading the boards at the Cliffs Pavilion in the classic love story, Frankie and Johnny.

Joining her on stage will be Rolf Saxon, who appeared in Mission: Impossible and Entrapment the latest in an impressive line-up of stars to work with Kelly, including Harrison Ford and Tom Cruise.

When I catch up with the actress, she's still in

rehearsals for the show "I'm really looking forward to it," she says. "I'm not nervous... yet!

"I play a single woman in her early 40s. She goes out on a date with a guy, but he wants to get serious right away and she's fighting it.

"I loved the script because both characters are really damaged and have a lot of emotional baggage, but they still try to connect.

"It's a very touching story with some really funny moments

Despite finding fame in the movie industry, the 52-yearold enjoys theatre work just

as much.
"I don't prefer either, real-' she says. "I'm just grateful I have á job!

"Film is a very young industry, especially for women, and there are very few parts written for the more mature lady.

"As an older woman. I find you get a lot more interest-

you get a for finde interesting roles in the theatre."
So after the Frankie and Johnny tour has finished, what plans does Kelly have

for the rest of 2010?
"Well, my daughter is having twins in Apiril so I'm going to go back to the US and be a grandmom for a while. Other than that, I've no clue!" she laughs.

Frankie and Johnny will be at the Cliffs Pavilion, Westcliff, from January 25, until January 29.

Tickets start from £13.50 to book, call 01702 351135.



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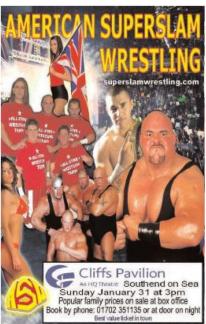
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PROUD: Siraj Ali, owner of the restaurant, with the British Curry Award.

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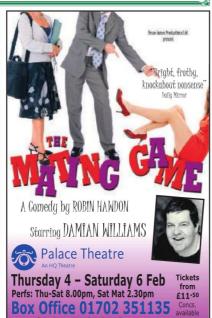
noon to 11pm on Sunday.

For more details, or to book a table, call the restaurant on 01268 794541 / 01268 792141 or visit the website at www.maharajagroup.co.uk



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Pipasha, in Eastwood Road North, has extended its popular buffet so diners can enjoy as much as they like of its outstanding cuisine throughout the week and weekend.

The buffet, with an 'eat as much as you like' policy, is available on Sunday lunchtimes, from noon to 3pm, and Sunday to Thursday evenings, from 6.15-10pm, for just £7.50 for adults and £4.50 for abildren. children.

Its Friday evening buffet, served from 6.15pm to 10pm costs £9.95 for adults and £4.95 for children, whilst its Saturday evening buffet, also served from 6.15pm to 10pm, costs £10.95 for adults and £5.95 for children.

The buffet is ideal for families and its children's prices are for converters; up to the age of 12, with

prices are for youngsters up to the age of 12 – with children under the age of four eating for free.

Whilst its buffet has been extended, diners can still choose from it's extensive a la carte menu.

The restaurant holds regular tribute nights which are great for a range of celebrations. Up-and-coming tribute nights include Elvis on February 2.

The evenings cost £20 per person and include

entertainment and a set menu (a la carte menu and

other offers will not be available on the night). Tables are available for booking at 7pm or $7.30 \, \text{pm}$ – reservation only - and a £10 cash nonrefundable deposit is required per person.

Pipasha, which serves the finest Indian cuisine, has a 'two for one' offer for people eating in the restaurant on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday buy a starter and main course and get another starter and main course free.

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RECYCLE YOUR CLOTHES

JUST like Quality Street and Baileys over the festive season, you can have too much of a good thing with your favourite

While fashion-forward types want to leap onto next season's trends, those who are staple-reliant can become bored by the same pieces, which means every-one ends up with a pile of redundant

If you wear a lot of dark clothing a bright coat or mac will give any outfit new zest. Layering also adds another stylish

dimension to individual pieces. Start wearing spring/summer season tops and dresses pared down with long-sleeve rollneck tops or pile on the winter accessories like hats, scarves and elbow-length

Try: Dorothy Perkins ochre tiered coat, £35; or Hobbs Alexa stripe cardigan, £89. BE MORE FEMININE

THE lady-to-ladette look has allowed us to don trilby hats, stride in mannish trousers and pull on the boy brogues, but sometime it's nice just to be uber-girly and wear a feminine frock.

If you struggle putting outfits together, the dress is a one-piece no brainer. No need to mull over which top complements which bottom, a print dress will do

The upcoming spring season is all about ultra-feminine styles with draping, ruffles and sheer fabrics so start wearing them now layered with chunky knits. Try: Marks and Spencer floral dress, £45; or Matalan Et Vous peacock dress, £25. WEAR HEELS MORE OFTEN

you're guilty of owning countless pairs of teetering high heels but keep pulling the same comfy flat boots out of the shoe cupboard it's time to re-think your footwear for 2010.

A heel can do wonders for slim-lining your body and making your legs look longer and there are comfier options out

there for self-confessed stiletto-phobics. Try a chunky platform or 'cone-shaped' heel for size, or work a not-so-towering wedge. Choose your 'halfway heel' wisely and you'll still be able to sprint for the

Try: Next blue wrap suede mid-heels, £55; or Office Bend and Stretch black wedges, £70.

WEAR MORE ACCESSORIES AFTER all the glitz and glamour of the party season even the most effervescent fashionistas can be left feeling flat. Just because the sequin frocks have been tucked away until next winter that doesn't mean you need to stop sparkling. One high-octane accessory can give you -and your entire outfit - a New Year lift. This season, a must-have statement

necklace will give you more eye-catching superpowers than having George Clooney on your arm (almost). If you flaunt your arms a lot, accentuate them with a dazzling wrist cuff or layer up ban-



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NORTH SHOEBURY £126,500

SUPER STARTER HOME... Excellent modern one double bedroom starter house in popular location. Fitted kitchen, double glazing, gas central heating, allocated parking. No onward chain. Ref: ebe2568



SOUTHEND £174,995

SUPER SEMI BUNGALOW... Good value two bedroom bungalow, backing west in popular area. Off street parking, double glazing, gas central heating, fitted kitchen. Easy acces to shops, schools etc. Ref: ebe2564



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LEIGH ON SEA £150,000

Situated in this modern purpose built block, located in the heart of leigh on sea, is this large one bedroom second floor flat having a contemporary feel throughout. ehl1409



ROCHFORD £155,000

We have pleasure in offering for sale this extended two double bedroom cottage, having been improved throughout with modern kitchen breakfast room, white bathroom suite and landscaped rear garden. ehl1408



LEIGH ON SEA £249,995

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LEIGH ON SEA £349,995

Situated in this tree lined road on the ever popular marine estate, an extremely rare opportunity to purchase this three bedroom cottage style semi detached house offering a wealth of charm and character, together with off street parking for two vehciles. ehl1395



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Having undergone comprehensive refurbishment throughout, a deceptively large semi detached house offering two reception rooms, kitchen breakfast room, ground floor shower room and utility room together with four excellent size bedrooms. ehl1404



WESTCLIFF ON SEA £275,000

A substantial four bedroom semi detached character house situated within a stroll of westcliff mainline station and seafront, offering a wealth of character together with superb accommodation ideal for a family. Off street parking for three vehiciles to rear. Must be viewed.



WESTCLIFF ON SEA £144,995

Situated in this convenient location within walking distance of chalkwell park, a first floor two bedroom flat in this popular purpose built block with modern kitchen and bathroom, which also benefits from a garage. Long lease. ehl1388



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- 2/3 Reception rooms
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- En-suite show

Lounge/Diner/ study

Fitted Kitcher

3 Bedrooms

- Study/playroon

Hockley £320,000

- 28' Conservatory
- South facing garden 40' x
- - Ref: ESH1335

Delightful Garden

Close to Station

Ref: ESH1308

Hockley £249,950



- Extended semi-detached
- 3 Bedrooms
- 2 Receptions Fitted Kitchen
- Shower Room/wo
- Backing woodlands

Hockley £310,000

 No Onward Chain Ref: ESH1333

• Two reception rooms

Gas central heating

Close to all amenities

Ref: ESH1278

- Large lounge Dining room
- Kitchen
- Hard wood conservator
- 3 bedrooms
- - Detached garage and further parking

Spacious Lounge/Dine Luxury fitted kitchen

2 Bedrooms

Gas heating

Bath/Shower Room

Hockley £189,950

- Central heatin
- 70' approx secluded garder
- Ref. ESH1164

Allocated Parking

No onward Chain

Ref ESH1317

Great Stambridge £229,995



- Village location
- Attractive lounge Large dining room
- Bathroom with white suite

- 3 good sized bedrooms

Lounge/separate Dining

Area

Fitted Kitchen

2 Bedrooms

- Kitchen and utility Ground floor cloakroon
- Garage and parking

Secluded Garder

Off-street Parking

Ref. ESH1316

- Ref. ESH1330

Rayleigh £178,500

Exclusive mews location • 2 en-suite bathrooms

3 Reception rooms

room
• 4 Large bedrooms

Fitted kitchen/breakfast

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- Detached double width

Dressing room

Hockley £599,995



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RAYLEIGH £219,995

Situated in a popular road close to Rayleigh Town Centre is this 2 bedroom fully detached bungalow. The property does equire some modernisation but benefits from double glazing and parking. An early appointment to view is advised so as to

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* PROBATE SALE - IN CUL DE SAC POSITION ON MANNERS WAY ESTATE * Three double bedroom semi detached bungalow * Lounge * Kitchen * Shower room/wc * Garden * Double glazing * Gas central heating * Detached garage * No onward chain * Ref: ETS4198

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Agents telephone number: 01702 346818





YORK ROAD, SOUTHEND-ON-SEA £110,000

* GREAT LOCATION FOR TOWN, STATION, SEAFRONT & UNIVERSITY *
Two bedroom first & second floor maisonette * Good sized Lounge/Dining
room * Kitchen * Bathroom/wc * Gas central heating * Communal
parking * Well maintained throughout * Ref: ETS4160





HALE WAY, SHOEBURYNESS £215,000

* IN FAVOURED GARRISON COMPLEX WITHIN SHORT WALK OF SEAFRONT * Delightful two double bedroom terraced house in excellent decorative order * Ground floor cloakroom * Lounge/dining room * Kitchen * En suite shower room to master bedroom, which enjoys sea glimpses * Bathroom/wc * Residents parking * Well maintained garden * Ref: ETS4157



SHOEBURYNESS £310,000

CONTEMPORARY STLYE LIVING IN SUPERB SOUGHT AFTER LOCATION 'Four bedroom town house' Ground floor cloakroom' 'Kitchen/breakfast room' Dining room' Lounge 'Bathroom'we' En suite shower room' Garden 'Detached garage 'Double glazed windows' 'Gas central heating' Internal viewing highly recommended. Ref. ETS4058





GUILDFORD ROAD, SOUTHEND-ON-SEA £119,995

* CLOSE TO TOWN & MAINLINE STATIONS * Two bedroom purpose built first floor flat * Good sized lounge * Kitchen *Bathroom/wc * Electric central heating * Residential off street parking * Communal garden * ETS4152



SOUTHEND-ON-SEA £550 pcm

* POPULAR LOCATION CLOSE TO SOUTHCHURCH PARK * Two bedrooms * Good sized lounge * Fitted kitchen * Bathroom with shower * Gas central heating * Double glazing * Direct access to own section of garden * Off street parking * Ref: R1159



SOUTHEND-ON-SEA £325 pcm

*LOCATED WITHIN EASY REACH OF SOUTHEND EAST MAINLINE STATION * One double bedroom * Lounge * Kitchen *Bathroom & separate wc * Electric heating * Unfurnished * Ref R887



SOUTHEND-ON-SEA £450 pcm

WITHIN EASY REACH OF SOUTHEND TOWN CENTRE & RAILWAY LINKS * One double bedroom * One reception room * Fitted kitchen with plumbing for automatic washing machine * Gas central heating * Double glazing * Fitted carpets * Ref: R912





OBAN ROAD, SOUTHEND ON SEA £495pcm

* CONVENIENT LOCATION IN SOUTHCHURCH WITHIN REACH OF LOCAL SHOPS & BUS ROUTES * One double bedroom * Lounge * Dining Room * Fitted kitchen * Own front door * Own garden * Off street parking * Gas central heating * Double glazing * Unfurnished * Ref: R1042





GAINSBOROUGH DRIVE, WESTCLIFF-ON-SEA £475 pcm

* LOCATED CONVENIENTLY FOR SOUTHEND HOSPITAL * One double bedroom ground floor flat * Lounge * Fitted kitchen * Bathroom/wc * Gas central heating * Double glazing * Direct access to own section of Garden * Unfurnished * Ref: R1627



SOUTHEND-ON-SEA £525 pcm

* CONVENIENT FOR TOWN CENTRE & SEAFRONT - One bedroom purpose built ground floor flat * Lounge * Kitchen * Bathroom * Night storage heating * Allocated residents parking * Unfurnished * Ref R233



LEIGH ON SEA £550 pcm

* HIGHLY SOUGHT AFTER LOCATION CONVENIENT FOR LOCAL BUS ROUTES & LEIGH SHOPPING * Good sized Lounge * Double Bedroom * Fitted kitchen * Bathroom/wc * Off street Parking * Communal sun terrace * Night storage heaters * Double glazing * Ref: R1151



WESTCLIFF-ON-SEA £450 pcm

*CONVENIENT FOR SOUTHEND HOSPITAL-ONE BEDROOM PURPOSE BUILT GROUND FLOOR FLAT *Open plan Lounge *Kitchen with Electric cooker & hob * Bedroom * Bathroom *Communal Garden *Allocated parking * Ref: R1453



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CONVENIENT FOR LOCAL AMENITIES * Two reception rooms *
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* Gas central heating * Off street parking * Ref: ETS4120

Prittlewell £265,000

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Roots Hall Drive, Southend-on-Sea £89,995
*WITH VIEWS OVER FOOTBALL GROUND - IDEAL INVESTMENT * Newly decorated One bedroom purpose built first floor flat * Lounge * Kitchen * Bathroom/wc * Night storage heating * New carpets throughout * Allocated residential parking * Good location for town, stations & Priory Park * Ref:

ETS4080







Sutton Road, Southend On Sea £149,995

* IDEAL LOCATION FOR PRTTLEWELL STATION * Delightful two
double bedroom purpose built ground floor flat * Lounge * Kitchen *
Bathroom & separate wc * Garden * Garage & parking to rear * Double
glazing * Benefits from No onward chain * Ref: ETS3913.

Southend On Sea £215,000
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'Benefits from two reception rooms' Open plan
kitchen/diner' Modern fitted Kitchen'
Bathroom/we' 'Garden' 'Gas central heating
'Convenient for town & Stations' Off street
parking 'Ref: ETS3925

Station Road, Westclif-on-Sea £89,995

* CLOSE TO SEAFRONT & WESTCLIFF STATION * One double bedroom first floor flat * Lounge * Contemporary fitted

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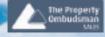
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PROBATE SALE-THUNDERSLEY £195,000

DELIGHTFUL SEMI DETACHED BUNGALOW IN SOUGHT AFTER CUL-DE-SAG CLOSE TO THE THUNDERSLEY VILLAGE SHOPS, TWO BEDROOMS, LOUNGE, FITTED KITCHEN OPEN PLAN TO UPVC DOUBLE GLAZED CONSERWATORY, BATHROOM, W.C., GAS CH, DOUBLE GLAZING, LARGE GARAGE WITH REMOTE CONTROL UP AND OVER DOOR, FURTHER PARKING AREA FOR 2 VEHICLES.





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THREE DOUBLE BEDROOM CHALET/ BUNGALOW, LEIGH £235,000

SPACIOUS REC HALL,/ STUDY, 23' X 13' LOUNGE, SEPARATE SUN ROOM, FITTED KITCHEN, THREE DOUBLE BEDROOMS, EN SUITE WASH ROOM/ W.C., FAMILY BATHROOM/ W.C.,GOOD SIZE 55' APPROX SOUTH BACKING GARDEN, 10'3 X 18'9 GARAGE WITH BLOCK PAVED DRIVEWAY AND PARKING AREA, DOUBLE GLAZING, REF ETL 4697



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HIGHLANDS, LEIGH £315,000

MOST ATTRACTIVE SEMI DETACHED CHARACTER HOUSE IN GREAT LOCATION WALKING DISTANCE OF STATION, WOODS AND LOCAL SHOPS. WESTLEIGH SCHOOLS C/A, 55' SOUTH BACKING GARDEN, CLOAKS/W.C, SPACIOUS LOUNGE, SUPERB 21'10 X 16' OPEN PLAN LUXURY KITCHEN AND DINING ROOM WITH INTEGRATED APPLIANCES, THREE BEDROOMS, NO ONWARD CHAIN.ETL4710



FOUR BEDROOMS, LEIGH £279,995

85' SOUTH BACKING GARDEN AND DELIGHTFUL SUMMER HOUSE, GARAGE PLUS PARKING FOR 3 CARS, FOUR GOOD SIZE BEDROOMS, LUXURY FAMILY BATHROOM AND SEPARATE SHOWER ROOM, VERY IMPRESSIVE 23'6 X 12'9 LOUNGED DINER, SUPERB 17'4 X 12' LUXURY FITTED KITCHEN / BREAKFAST ROOM, SEPARATE UTILITY ROOM, D/GLAZING, REF: ETL4398





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ROCHFORD £195,000





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£229,995



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Character style semi Stunning estuary views Three bedrooms Lots of parking

Cliff top location Beautiful interior Two en-suites Close to rail station & Broadway

Rochford £169.995



Three bedroom semi house Backing open farmland Double glazing

Rochord

£148,500



Part exchange considered Parking
Close to rail station & Square

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Three bedroom Two receptions Garage



Semi detached chalet Conservatory Viewing advised

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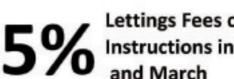


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Since April 2007, it is now compulsory for landlords to protect tenancy deposits, with a choice of 2 schemes, the custodial based scheme or two insurance based schemes if they wish to hold onto the deposit. The introduction of Tenancy Deposit Protection has led many landlords to review the way they set up tenancies, and to consider extra measures or alternatives to protect their interests.

Rental guarantee insurance products have become widely available over the past few years These can be accessed through letting agents or direct from insurance providers. The length of cover can be from 6 month to 12 months and can be renewed if the same tenant resides in the property. Most products cover for rent arrears and legal fees for possession proceedings, but landlords will need to check the terms of coverage and details as the range available is quite

Guarantors are now being asked for on a more regular basis especially when letting to tenants on a low income or in receipt of benefits. A guarantor is an individual, normally a homeowner, who will accept liability on behalf of the tenant for breaches of the tenancy agreement. Guarantors, along with tenants, will also be referenced with accredited referencing company and will sign the tenancy agreement before the tenants along with a deed of guarantor. During the course of the tenancy the guarantor should be sent correspondence relating to the tenant if the tenant is in breach of the terms of the tenancy agreement.

Rent in advance. Many landlords/agents require tenants to pay the first months rent and a months security deposit in advance of signing a tenancy. However some landlords are taking two months rent in advance and no deposit. With this all monies taken in advance must be used as rent and stated clearly in the tenancy agreement as rent. Therefore monies received as rent cannot be withheld against the property when the tenant vacates. Any monies held by the landlord and then refunded to the tenant at the end of the tenancy must be protected. Bonds. Some tenants who are unable to afford a deposit are able to apply to the council for a bond. Bonds usually take the form of a written guarantee from the council to the landlord. The council states that they will pay up to a maximum sum against any damage or rent arrears. As these schemes vary from council to council it is best to read the small print. But with no money involved there is no need for the tenancy deposit to apply.

Should you have any further questions on this subject or anything else please e-mail to: tony.lindberg@martinco.com

ASK THE AGENT **ALAN** KIRKMAN

Q. I have recently moved, and I'm not certain which fence is mine. According my immediate neighbours, I'm responsible for both sides, but that can't be right, can it?

A. Obviously, the last thing you want to do is fall out with your new neighbours, not least because disagreements over boundaries can



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sometimes escalate into quite unpleasant and long-running disputes. Nevertheless, by the sound of it, one or other of them is wrong. Why do I suggest that? Well, for the simple reason that since you have neighbours on both sides of your property, that suggests that you live in the middle of a street, or a row of houses - and that being the case, it's very unlikely indeed that you are responsible for both fences. Generally speaking, only those living at one end of the street or the other will have two fences to look after - depending on which end these things have been calculated from. So, for example, if everyone owns the fence to their left, then the person at the right-hand end of the street may also be responsible for the fence to their right!

Of course, the quickest, easiest and cheapest solution to this problem is simply to ask other people further up and down your street. Generally speaking, a pattern ought to emerge which will enable you to deduce which fence is yours. As for establishing ownership more formally, theoretically this can be done by looking at the deeds to your property, or one of the related registration documents. Here, your first port of call - assuming you don't have the deeds yourself - should be the Land Registry, which you can contact online at www.landregisteronline.gov.uk. If they have the information, you can download it for a nominal charge.

However, be prepared for the fact that the Land Registry may not be able to help. There is always the chance - particularly in the case of older properties that there is no record of boundary ownership in the deeds or any of the other

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A superb opportunity has arisen to purchase this extremely spacious five bedroom detached family home with a wealth of features, all bedrooms have en-suite bathroom or shower room facilities. To the ground floor there are four reception rooms plus a spacious reception hall. To complete the home there is a substantial and secluded garden which is a wedge shape and to one the boundary has a frontage of around 135°.

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Rhodes ruins Blues with double strike to seal win

Southend United

SOUTHEND United were undone by striker Jordan Rhodes who scored a double for Huddersfield Town to help them win 2-1 in Coca Cola League One on Saturday.

The Blues were in action for the first time in 2010 but despite a late goal from debutant Scott Spencer, it was the Terriers who came away with the three points.

boss Steve Tilson thought his side deserved better after putting up a brave display.
He said: "I thought we deserved a point. I was

really pleased with the performance. I thought we frustrated them and our set-up was good.

"They didn't really hurt us that much in the first half, but it was disappointing to let in a goal on half-time."

Huddersfield, who are in the play-off hunt, started the game well and maybe should have gone ahead on 11 minutes when Anthony Kay's header came off the crossbar and Rhodes' rebounded effort was blocked well by Anthony

Leading scorer Lee Barnard, who was being marked by former Blues defender Peter Clarke, had two chances to give Southend the lead but to no avail.

The Shrimpers were frustrating the home side, but all that good work was undone before half-time when they failed to clear their lines.

Gary Roberts put a ball across for Rhodes to

force the ball home off Grant.

The second half started tentatively but Huddersfield doubled their lead just past the hour mark when Rhodes found himself space in the box from a corner to head the ball home

With the game looking beyond them, Tilly gave new signing Spencer a run-out in the final

Rhodes could have got a hat-trick but his header went straight at Blues keeper Steve Mildenhall from Theo Robinson's cross.

Spencer did manage to pull one back in the final minute after latching on to Simon Francis pass to produce a cool finish, but it was too little, too late.



Promising racer set to return in 2010

Motorsport

A MOTORRACING driver is set for a return in 2010 to compete in the Avon Tyres British GT Championship.

Daniel Brown, from Billericay, will race a Ferrari 430 Scuderia after impressing many last year in his debut season, taking a couple of victories in the Rollcentre Mosler and named 'Driver Find of the Season' in Autosport magazine. The 18-year-old will race for Chad Racing

and will be paired with South African Chris Hyman for the 14-race calendar, taking in the UK's most challenging tracks.
Chad Racing team manager, Piers Masarati,

was excited with the driver pairing for the season. He said: "We are confident that the Daniel Brown/Chris Hyman line-up in our new 430 Scuderia will mount a serious challenge at the front of the GT3 field this year.
"We started an intensive test programme last

November and broke the lap record at two of the championship's circuits.

"I especially look forward to helping develop Daniel's driving. In testing he has been everything I expected, quick and consistent, and paired with Chris, who was so quick in Formula Palmer Audi and British GT last year, they will be a force in the championship."

The deal also sees the team backed by iconic brand STP, as well as additional backing from accessory brand Brown & Geeson and MOMO, both of which have backed Daniel so far in his career in T-Car, SAXMAX, Formula Palmer Audi and his debut season in British GT last

Big clash is postponed, Southend lose by point

Rugby Union

THE big clash in National League 2 South between the top two fell victim to the weather on Saturday

Second place Barking were due to travel to leaders Ealing Trailfinders to try and overtake them in the league, but still remain a point behind

Meanwhile, Southend went down 6-7 in a tight ontest at Warners Bridge to Clifton.

Despite early penalties from Andrew Frost putting Southend ahead, Clifton fought back to take the victory and also switch positions with Southend to go into fourth position.

Westcliff were once again watching from the sidelines in London 1 North, and with Staines' 45-3 win over Harpenden lifting them to the top of the table, they now find themselves in third place behind Civil Service, a point from the top.

Elsewhere, Woodford moved up to sixth place with a 10-15 victory at Brentwood.

In London 2 North East, Thurrock maintained their five point cushion at the top after their 6-13 win at Enfield Ignatians.

Second place Sudbury were made to work for their 7-5 win by second bottom Chelmsford, who put in a spirited display, while Romford & Gidea Park dropped from third to fifth after their 5-37 home defeat at the hands of Saffron Walden.

It's 'as you were' in London 3 North East, with the gap between leaders Beccles and nearest rivals Canvey Island remaining at two points.

Beccles overcame Upminster to win 3-11 while Canvey were made to work for the points by third place Basildon, but came out on top 0-5.

Elsewhere, Dagenham kept up their good run of form to win 25-10 over bottom side Billericay, switching positions with Upminster in the

West Ham United

Sullivan takes over Irons and brings in old friend

FORMER Birmingham City owner David Sullivan has taken control of West Ham United.

Sullivan has acquired a 50 per cent holding, giving him operational and commerical control of the club.

His long-term business partner at the Blues, David Gold, joins as joint chairman while Karren Brady, a former colleague of the duo at Birmingham, joins the club as full-time vice-chairman.

Sullivan is a lifelong Hammers fan and was brought up in Hornchurch. He helped run Birm-

ingham for more than 16 years.

He and Gold left the Midlands club in November following a takeover from Hong Kong businessman Carson Yeung.

Sullivan said: "I have been interested in running West Ham United for 20 years and I can't wait to start work. It will be an immense privilege to lead this great football club and, more importantly, its supporters."

The Irons were previously owned by CB Holdings, an asset management company set up by creditors including Icelandic bank Straumur. The club was reported to be in debt to the tune of around £38million.

Sullivan beat off competition from several other interested parties to secure control of the

club and is now looking ahead.

He said: "I believe the players at this club have shown great commitment in trying circumstances and the new board and I will get behind them in every way we can.

"We will also look to bring in new players to supplement the squard where needed once we have met with the manager.

And Sullivan also hinted that he was keen to

keep manager Gianfranco Zola.
"West Ham United need stability after all the recent upheavals," he said. "We appointed four managers and parted company with two at Birmingham in 16 years. We believe in our managers and give them the time and support they need."

larets kill off Crawley to progress in FA Trophy

CHELMSFORD City produced a giantkilling in the FA Trophy Second Round, beating Blue Square Premier side Crawley Town 2-1 at the Melbourne Stadium on Monday night.

The Clarets move into the last 16 of the competition, picking up £6,000 in prize money, and a home tie to either Oxford United or Woking in the next round.

City went ahead four minutes before half-time when Rob Edmans crossed for Anthony Cook to flick a header into the net.

Crawley's response was immediate after the break when Michael Malcolm found himself space in the box after a cross caused problems in the City defence and he had no problems shooting into the open goal.

However City heads did not drop

and on 68 minutes they got their reward when Dave Rainford met a header from a corner but was adjudged to have been shoved in the box by referee Stuart Burt.

Rainford picked himself up to fire in the resulting spot kick. Crawley could not muster a response and it's City who advance to the next round.

Meanwhile, in the Blue Square South, Ricky Holmes claimed the matchball after his hat-trick gave City the spoils at bottom side Weymouth on Saturday. He bagged a hattrick in the 4-1 win.

Thurrock kept up their play-off hopes to move into fourth place with 3-1 win over Bath City.

Kenny Clark put Fleet ahead on 21 minutes which was doubled by a Leon McKenzie penalty three minutes later.

Craig Pope rounded off a superb ten minute spell by netting on the half hour mark, with Kaid Mohamed's late penalty the only blot on the Thurrock copy book

In Ryman League Premier, AFC Hornchurch moved up into eighth place, two points from the play-offs after a comfortable 3-0 win over lowly Bognor Regis Town.

Jonathan Hunt scored two spotkicks in either half to put the Urchins, the latter resulting in the sending off of Lewis Ide for Bognor, with veteran Mark Janney rounding

off the scoring.

Billericay Town continued their recent revival in their battle against relegation, drawing 1-1 at play-off

chasers Tooting & Mitcham United. Billy Bricknell gave Town an early

lead which was quickly wiped out by Paul Vines on 19 minutes. The point leaves Billericay third from bottom.

Canvey Island's first match of

2010 was impressive, thrashing Cray Wanderers 5-1.

James Rowe broke the deadlock for the Gulls before half-time and it paved the way for more in the second

Robert King, Gabriel Fanibuyan, Jason Hallett and Rowe once more lifted Canvey up to sixth place, just outside the play-offs, with Marcus Cassius gettings the consolation for

In Ryman League Division One North, Heybridge Swifts moved into sixth, one place outside the play-offs, after their 2-1 win over relegation battlers Ware.

Bradley Drisdale gave the visitors a shock lead after seven minutes can-celled out by Luke Fisher before the interval

The turning point came on 62 minutes after the dismissal of Sam Ruff for Ware. Swifts took advantage of the extra man with Leon Antoine scoring the winner late on.

Great Wakering Rovers slipped down the table after losing 4-2 at home to Wingate & Finchley.

Wakering found themselves 4-0 down at half-time after goals from Leron Smith (2), David Laird and Gary Burrell. Joe Gardner and Neil Richmond

restored some credibility for Wakering in the second half but it was not good enough. Redbridge took the lead at Tilbury

through Andy Edmunds after five minutes, but second half goals from Chris Taylor and Jamie Wallace gave the Dockers three points to cement their mid-table position.

It was an action packed game between VCD Athletic and Waltham Forest. Peter Smith put the latter ahead after nine minutes, but VCD missed the chance of an equaliser after Waltham's Sam Tanner saved a penalty and later lost Gary Cook to a second red.

Humphrey-Modeste Andre increased Waltham's lead with Aaron Firth pulling one back late on for VCD.

Some midweek fixtures were scheduled to take place last night (Tuesday)